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The Honorable Lee H. Hamilton  
Chairman  
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for your letter of 23 September concerning the Administration's decision to ask the USSR to recall 25 Soviet citizens who are employees of the United Nations Secretariat. Your letter asked how these Soviets were selected and what Soviet reaction is expected.

I have asked the FBI to answer the first question because it identified the 25 Soviets and is best able to address your question.

Regarding the likely Soviet reaction, I estimate that the Soviets could respond by requesting the recall of Americans assigned to the Embassy in Moscow or the Consulate in Leningrad. If the Soviets proceeded in this fashion, they would undoubtedly seek the recall of Americans they believe to be intelligence officers.

Sincerely,

/s/ William J. Casey

William J. Casey  
Director of Central Intelligence

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Attached for your signature is our response to Chairman Hamilton regarding the 25 Soviets being expelled from the US.

Dave Gries

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